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Application No.: 10/655,166 Group Art Unit: 3682
Filed: September 4, 2003 Examiner: T. Meier
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July 16, 2004

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1. X Copies of the listed publications and other information are enclosed for the Examiner's use.
2. X A concise explanation of the relevance of documents Cite Nos. F1-F4 and O1 (which are not in the English language), as presently understood by the individual designated under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) most knowledgeable about their content, is provided as follows:

F1 describes a bearing play adjustment means for a linear ball bearing.

F2 describes deforming parts using electromagnetically induced heat or by impact using a marking punch.

F3 describes the use of heat energy for deforming parts by thermally induced material stresses.

F4 describes deforming parts through electrochemical removal of material.

O1 describes a use of plastic deformation (stretching or compression) of certain areas of components to form the components to the desired dimension or into the desired form.

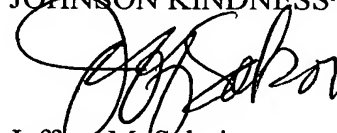
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OTHER INFORMATION

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